

Economic Security Corporation in Joplin, MO along with 13 of its Head Start Centers was recognized in December 2012 for achieving the **advanced level** of the Missouri Eat Smart Guidelines. On December 17, 2012, Bebe Schaeffer, Economic Security Nutrition Coordinator, accepted the Advanced Eat Smart Recognition from Sherry Clifton, Nutrition Specialist, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Bureau of Community Food and Nutrition Assistance (MDHSS-BCFNA). Head Start sites at Anderson, Carthage, Golden City, Granby, North Joplin, South Joplin, Lamar, Neosho, Seneca, Noel, Longview, Sarcoxie and Webb City were commended for their dedication to children's health and efforts to achieve the standards set by the Advanced Eat Smart Guidelines. Economic Security is the 5<sup>th</sup> child care program in Missouri to be recognized for the advanced level of the Missouri Eat Smart Guidelines, the 8<sup>th</sup> child care program to be recognized as Missouri Eat Smart, and accounts for the 17<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup> child care centers to achieve and be recognized for meeting the Missouri Eat Smart Guidelines.